My name is Melinda Tuhus, and I vote in Hamden. Passing both S.B. 184 and H.B. 5262 (Continuing Absentee Voting in 2022 due to COVID19) is extremely important to me because it will increase democracy in our state. I voted absentee in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid as I am in a high-risk category due to my age and would vote that way again if I could, since Covid is still with us.

Please continue the COVID19 safety measures of 2020 and 2021 for 2022 and allow for everyone who fears exposure to COVID19 to vote by absentee ballot.

More than 650,000 Connecticut voters voted by absentee ballot in the 2020 CT General Election—which means they voted early on their own schedules. This led to record breaking 80% voter turnout. Listen to the voters, the choice is clear. Please protect the freedom to vote and pass.

Thank you.